



Caltrans District 4 Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC)
March 21, 2012 9:30 - 11:30 AM
Meeting Summary

The meeting was attended by the following PAC members:

Robert (Bob) Planthold, Chair, San Francisco resident
Sara Woo, Vice Chair, Solano Transportation Authority
Wendy Alfson, California Walks
Rocky Birdsey, Marin Center for Independent Living
Michelle DeRobertis, Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority
Erick Guerra, Alameda County resident
Carol Levine, Alameda County resident
Lynne March, Sonoma County Transportation Authority
Nicole Schneider, Public Health Representative
David Simons, Santa Clara County resident
Joel Slavitt, San Mateo County Transit District

The following members of the public also participated in the meeting:

Ken Chin, City of San Mateo
Ricardo Olea, San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency

Agenda Item #1: Welcome and Introductions

Agenda Item #2: Review and Approval of Summary of November 2011 Meeting

The notes were approved without edits.

Agenda Item #3: Presentation on Caltrans Policy on Camera Enforcement Regarding Red Light Running

Roland Au-Yeung, Chief of the Caltrans District 4 Office of Traffic Safety, gave a presentation. He said that over 80% of red light running violations are due to making a right turn on red without coming to a stop. He also stated that the fee for violations cannot be based on revenue needs. Roland pointed out that the first camera installed on the State Highway System within the District was at 19th Avenue and Sloat Boulevard. He agreed to send the Caltrans policy to Beth Thomas, the Caltrans staff liaison to the PAC, to forward to the members.

Agenda Item #4: Presentation on Sloat Boulevard Road Diet Project and Request for PAC Support

Roland described the completed project and its operational results. He stated that the 85th percentile speed after completion of the project is 2 to 3 miles lower than before the project was constructed. The PAC approved comments in support of road diets and voted unanimously to authorize the Chair to draft a letter in support of the project (attached).

Agenda Item #5: Presentation and Discussion on AB 819 and Pedestrian Design Guidance

Michelle DeRobertis described the legislation, which addresses bicycling, and the possibility of Caltrans forming an advisory committee for the development of bicycle facility and infrastructure design guidance. A discussion followed on the merits of requesting that such a committee also advise Caltrans on the development and update of design guidance related to pedestrians. The PAC approved the following comment: “establish an external advisory committee for multimodal design research and experimentation and guidance development.”

Agenda Item #6: Update on Caltrans ADA Infrastructure Program: First Annual Report

Darold Heikens, Chief of the Caltrans Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Infrastructure Program, gave a presentation on program accomplishments in the first year. He said that Caltrans completed 6 ADA stand-alone projects totaling \$8.4 million in cost and spent a total of \$15 million on ADA work.

Agenda Item #7: Presentation and Comment on Proposed Shoulder on State Route (SR) 1 along Planned California Coastal Trail in Marin and Sonoma Counties

Ziad Abubekr, Chief of the Caltrans Office of Design North, brought a copy of the Draft Caltrans Marin and Sonoma Highway 1 Repair Guidelines. The PAC formed a subcommittee to review the document and formulate comments to recommend for approval by the whole PAC.

Agenda Item #8: Updates on Policies/Guidance/Issues Previously Presented

Beth Thomas gave an update on the anticipated release of the California Highway Design Manual update for Complete Streets and the anticipated process for the California Traffic Control Devices Committee to review comments previously submitted on the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

Agenda Item #9: Public Comment

No public comments were made.

Agenda Item #10: Topics for Next Meeting, Announcements and Information Sharing

An announcement was made of the Pedestrians Count! Seminar scheduled for May 3-4, 2012, in Los Angeles.